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Note verbale dated 31 July 2000 from the Permanent Mission of Sweden to the United Nations addressed to the Committee

The Permanent Representative of Sweden to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1132 (1997) concerning the situation in Sierra Leone and has the honour to communicate the following:

National implementation of Security Council resolution 1171 (1998)

Paragraph 2 of resolution 1171 (1998) is being implemented at an administrative level. The weapons embargo against Sierra Leone has been implemented administratively since the adoption of the resolution.

Swedish law, namely, the Military Equipment Act (1992:1300) and the Military Equipment Ordinance (1992:1303), generally prohibits the export, transfer or brokerage of military equipment without a permit from the National Inspectorate for Strategic Products.

In granting such permits certain guidelines are applied. These guidelines include an unconditional undertaking not to permit exports of military equipment in cases where a Security Council resolution prohibits such exports to a certain country.

It is a criminal offence under the Military Equipment Act to export, transfer or broker military equipment without a permit from the National Inspectorate for Strategic Products.

Since the adoption of resolution 1171 (1998) there have been no deliveries of military equipment from Sweden to Sierra Leone, and no permits have been issued for future such deliveries.

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